

COMMITTEE CONCERNING PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES MEETING MINUTES

City of Middletown

61 Durant Terrace – Recreation/Community Service Building

January 5, 2016

6:00 PM

1. Members Present: Marty Knight/Chairperson, Marie Hurley, Joe Carta – via conference call, Keith Vinci, Richard Pelletier, Elderrean Paules, August DeFrance, Phil Cacciola

Absent: Sky Binney – Youth in Government

Staff Present: Deb Stanley – Acting Director, Recreation/Community Services, Karen Nocera, Recreation/Community Services

General Public: Paiton Guevarez

2. Meeting Called to Order: Called to order at 6:04pm.

3. Public Hearing:

4. Approval of Minutes: *A motion to approve the meeting minutes of December 1, 2015, was made by Keith Vinci and seconded by Joe Carta. The motion was passed.*

Departmental Reports:

- August DeFrance stated that there was nothing to report on the Ekersley Hall building committee. The committee just approved a few payments at the last Building Committee meeting.
- Marie Hurley stated that the pipe is all in from Washington Street south. A discussion ensued.
- Richard Pelletier stated that he had nothing to report.
- Elderrean Paules stated that Monarca Place is at full capacity. A discussion ensued.
- Joe Carta stated that they are supposed to begin building his ramp tomorrow. A discussion ensued.
- Karen Nocera said that the Cridders show was fantastic. Keith was great. Unified Theatre starts tomorrow. The Recreation Division will offer a sign language class on February 4th. Keith will be teaching this class. A discussion ensued.
- Keith Vinci stated there he did not have anything to report.
- Phil Cacciola stated that the School for the Deaf will be celebrating their 200th anniversary in 2017. A discussion ensued. A motion was made by Marie Hurley and was seconded by Elderrean Paules for Phil Cacciola to be on the Military Museum Committee. The motion was passed.
- Debbie Stanley stated that on the Senior Services side we have been extremely busy. There was a great deal of people that came to the Senior Center during the month of December. The bad weather slows things down a bit. We are currently working on the budget. There will be a new committee forming that will apply for grant funds to restore brownfields in Middletown. A motion was made by Richard Pelletier for Keith Vinci to be on this committee. It was seconded by August DeFrance. The motion passed. A discussion ensued.

Old Business

New Business:

Miscellaneous:

- August DeFrance thanked the Committee Concerning People with Disabilities for the sympathy card for the loss of his mother in law.

Adjournment: *A motion of adjournment was made by Marie Hurley and was seconded by Richard Pelletier. The motion carried unanimously.* The meeting adjourned at 6:24 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Bruni Runte